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SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI : நீர்ப்பாசன இலாகா தனியாக இருக்குமா அல்லது அதுவும் சேர்ந்து இணைக்கப்படுமா என்பதை அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : இரிகேஷன் டிபார்ட்மெண்டு, ஹைவேஸ் டிபார்ட்மெண்டு இரண்டையும் இணைப்பதுபற்றித்தான் பரிசீலனையில் இருக்கிறது.

Increase of salaries of teachers.

* 59 Q.—**SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the orders sanctioning an increase of Rs. 12 in the salaries of teachers have been communicated to the various panchayat elementary schools in the State?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM (on behalf of the Hon. the Minister for Finance) : Copies of the orders have been communicated to Class I Panchayats. They have not been communicated to individual elementary schools. It is open to the panchayats to communicate copies to their schools.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : May I know, Sir, when exactly this order was communicated to the panchayats?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I do not have the particulars with me. This was sanctioned in November 1956. When this was communicated to other institutions, this must have been communicated to the panchayats also.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Is it a fact that the Government have placed at the disposal of the panchayats the funds required for the payment of this enhanced sum of Rs. 12?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, Sir. The Government are sanctioning the full grant to the panchayats towards expenditure on this account.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Is this delay in payment due to the delay in sanction of the Government allotment?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : So far the Government have not received any representation from any panchayat in regard to this matter.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : As Government are posted with information by me that panchayat teachers have not been paid this enhanced amount, will they kindly see that the amount is paid immediately?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, the Government have sanctioned the full grant towards the expenditure, and they have communicated this order to all the panchayats. They have not received any representation to the contrary from any of the.

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panchayats. That is the position so far as the Government are concerned. If the hon. Member would specifically point out any cases of teachers not having received the increased allowance, then the Government might look into the matter.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : All the teachers in the panchayats of the Nannilam taluk have not received this allowance.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The hon. Member may put a separate question.

Official Language Commission.

* 60 Q.—SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether any memorandum has been submitted by the Government to the Government of India on the Report of the Official Language Commission; and

(b) if so, the recommendations made therein?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Chief Minister) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The memorandum containing the views of this Government on the Report of the Official Language Commission has already been placed on the table of the House.

SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI : இது விஷயமாக மத்திய அரசாங்கத்தினிடமிருந்து மேலிட்டு ஏதாவது பதில் வந்திருக்கிறதா என்பதை அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : இல்லை.

Incidents on the banks of the River Cauvery at Tiruchirappalli on 26th November 1957.

* 61 Q.—SRI A. SUBRAMANYAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the reports in the Press about certain incidents on the banks of the River Cauvery at Tiruchirappalli on 26th November 1957 in which the sacred threads and tufts of Brahmins were cut; and

(b) if so, whether any official report has been received by the Government and the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Official reports on the incident were received by the Government. The Police registered a case in this connection and after investigation, five persons were arrested. All the five accused were recently convicted by the Additional First-class Magistrate, Tiruchirappalli, and sentenced to R.I. for terms ranging from 6 weeks to 3 months.